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The Rugg Textbook Fight

The Lilliputian controversy now raging in and out of Frankfort over the "Rugg Social Science Course" (grade-school) textbooks rather reminds us of the University's own parallel incident of several years ago.

At that time, it will be recalled, a freshman English text, *A Foreground to Fiction*, was withdrawn from the curriculum after protests had been raised by several off-campus groups that the book advocated atheism. The contradiction of that occasion was, as we remember, that few if any of the undergraduates studying the book found any anti-religious views within its pages—and consequently were slightly perplexed at its withdrawal.

There are a number of similarities, if on a somewhat broader scale, involved in the present case. For example, the current denunciatory resolution offered by a Brandenburg minister presumably speaking for a state church association, branded the books "anti-Christian, anti-patriotic, anti-Democratic, pro-atheist, and pro-Marxist!" These, obviously, constitute a serious charge, and one which cannot be proved on grounds involving only a casual reading.

From the newspaper reports available, we are led to wonder if the parallel in the two cases does not extend even further, so as to include the reactions of Kentucky's junior high school students and teachers to the subject matter of Doctor Rugg's texts. Strangely, the accounts indicate, few complaints have been heard from these sources—or from state governmental and educational officials either, for that matter.

In Sunday's *Courier-Journal*, J. Howard Henderson, Frankfort correspondent, says that State Attorney General Hubert Meredith made a study of the textbooks some weeks ago, and found none of the radical teachings he had been told were there. Moreover, the attorney general and state superintendent of public instruction are at present engaged in a survey of the workbooks being used to supplement the texts, and have not as yet reported finding anything unusual.

What the resolution fails to note is that the books have been in use for almost ten years, with no previous complaints recorded against them. And—even more important—their usage is purely optional with the heads of the individual schools; yet education department statistics show, about 40 per cent of the state's institutions make use of the Rugg texts. Certainly, if the books are as brazenly un-American as the charges would indicate, no such large percentage of educators would fail to see their shortcoming—or, seeing their undesirability, would teach them insipit of it.

Again, the author of the resolution has isolated specific quotations from their contexts, and has attacked them for meanings which are not implied when the paragraphs are read in their entirety. Such an act, it seems to us, is no more warranted than would be the deliberate misquotation of a writer without allowing him the opportunity to point out the injustice of the deed.

That Doctor Rugg's textbooks explain the various so-called "newer" types of political ideologies with a certain degree of objectivity cannot be denied, but we cannot see that this should have any bearing of the case. Much of the world's ills today can be traced directly to dogma and to prejudiced political "education"; and for this reason it is even more important that members of tomorrow's generation learn why anti-democratic creeds have arisen than it is that they learn the mere fact they have arisen and are simply not good.

For if we are ever to have a sound world order when, and if the present world-revolution is checked, we shall need a race of objective thinkers to insure against the 1919-1939 mess happening again—and it is just this mess that the Rugg textbooks have succeeded in analyzing for this coming generation.

A Query . . .

Last year the Student Legislature started out with an enthusiasm almost approaching energy to investigate and report on the respective worthiness of the various campus honorary fraternities and sororities. Strangely, nothing ever came of the campaign.

We don't wish to appear inquisitive, but we'd sort of like to know just what happened.

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The Surplus Collects Even More Cobwebs
—And Students Still Have To Leave School

Veteran of Some Pretty Thorough Bombings

Last winter, THE KERNEL ran an editorial apologizing for not having especially urged the students to hear Dr. Walter H. Judd, an American missionary to China, who was on the campus for two days speaking very effectively about Chinese conditions. Now, tonight, another American who has been in China and who knows its student life first-hand, will speak on the campus.

Paul Moritz, a special "student ambassador" of the Student Christian Movement, has been in China one year, living with the Chinese young people. When the universities were bombed, Mr. Moritz went with the students to the interior where their schools were re-bombed, and then accompanied them on westward. He watched the determined students follow up their education at all costs. Sharing the Chinese student life as fully as possible, he slept in church pews, in Chinese inns, or on hay mows, and traveled in open trucks, small boats, rickshaws, and on foot.

This young man, out of college two years, is of our age. He should have a message for us, for in a few years we will be the citizens of America who will, we hope, try to maintain world fellowship. In order to do this, we have to know how the people on the other side live. Therefore, we should make an effort to hear speakers such as Paul Moritz.—M.M.

Now, Just What Are We Supposed To Do?

The National Association of State Universities, in a resolution Saturday week at Chicago, expressed its "unalterable opposition" to any legislation granting draft deferment privileges to all college and university students.

The key paragraph in the report of the group is as follows: "Special provision for all college students as a group is contrary to sound public policy, and is contrary to the best interests of educational institutions in the long run. There is no sound reason why young men of draft age as a group should be permitted to defer their military service simply because they happen to be students in an institution of higher learning."

We have no particular opinion to express as to the wisdom of this statement, for we are hardly in a position to say what would be best for the American state educational system as a whole. However, speaking as one who is now a student under that system, we will say that we are somewhat surprised at these statements—and just a little bewildered. We thought the matter had long since been settled.

On last August 14, it will be recalled, President Roosevelt issued a statement in which he urged college students and prospective college students to continue their education. The President pointed out, by way of explanation, that as far as the national defense program is concerned there will be a dire need for leadership and supervision by personnel of college grade, and hence it is "the patriotic duty of young people to continue their education and thus prepare themselves to be useful citizens."

We do not recall there being any opinions to the contrary expressed at the time, and so we had rather taken it for granted that President Roosevelt's statement constituted the collective beliefs of the vast majority of the nation's educators, state and otherwise. And when the deferment clause was written into the ultimately passed draft bill, and again there was no expressed disapproval of any importance, we were strengthened in our conviction that the President's was the soundest interpretation as to what constituted the undergraduate's role in the defense program.

It may be, as some local educators have suggested, that the association had in mind the disapproval of any future acts of deferment which might be passed to go into effect after the present provision expires on July 31, 1941. Or it could be, as a few have suggested, that state university officials wish to avoid recurrence, in case the nation should go to war, of the general havoc which prevailed on college campuses during the First World War.

But if such was the intent of the national association, it certainly is not very clearly evidenced in its Chicago resolution. The result of which is that we, and hundreds of others like us, are pretty much in a state of bewilderment as to what the whole thing is about.

Independent Says His Party Reneged On Platform Item

To the Editor of The Kernel:
By voting down the student loan bill, the Student Legislature slapped about 200 students in the face. This number of students will be forced out of the University this winter because they will have run out of funds, and will not have been given a helping hand. If this isn't "double-crossing" the student body, what is it?

Students burst out laughing at "absent-minded professors." What should absent-minded students cause—a riot?

As vice-president of the student legislature, Mr. Vernon Albert "pulled a fast one." Before Mr. Albert was elected vice-president of the student legislature he promised the Independent association, he would vote "to establish a student loan fund from the surplus money designated to the student legislature for appropriations as needed in campus activities." (Item No. 2, Independent association platform, spring of 1940).

Mr. Albert and other stalwart "Independents," obviously, need be reminded of their previous pledges, their platforms, and that the success or failure of the Independent cause is at stake.

If there is any truth in the rumors that this "surplus money" will be spent for high class dances—well, like the outstanding campus rebel, I suppose "I'll Be Damned."

(Signed)
AN INDEPENDENT

The Vice Of The People

By JOHN SPICER

Lambda Chi John Morgan returned to UK to investigate rumors concerning pinnee Nancy Orrell, AGD, and Sigma Chi Al Funk and found Yvonne Stein, but now Ed is courted the reports much too true (Nancy returned John's pin.)

Sigma Nu prexy Jim Brown, who three years has been a loyal member of the Royal Order of Non-Pin-friend hood is about to desert in favor of Kappa Louise Wilson.

Earl Hadden lies awake at night trying to decide between a '41 Chrysler and a '41 Packard.

Sigma Nu's Marion Berry, better known as "Dingle", and KD Blue Klapert went to the ping pong room Saturday evening for entertainment. It took them three hours to find that there were no ping pong balls.

Phi Delt Dick Swope is mixing business with pleasure and seems to be doing a good job of both. Dick entertains Henry Clay girls at his newly bought gas station after school hours.

Phil Angelucci took Shirley Mattox to Benton's after the dance Saturday, which was all well and good except that Shirley's amorous friend (?) Larry Garland happened to be there at the time. The crowd sensed a scrap when Larry, with a scowl on his face, advanced toward Shirley's table. Nothing came of it though; and Larry just wanted to say hello.

SAE Gayle Alexander believes in getting nothing but the "Cream of the Crop," as he did when he pinned Dorothy Slatten, famed Henry Clay beauty who recently was chosen as a Tobacco Festival queen. It's the same old story—Joe Adams has a yen for Marguerite Adams, who in turn has a twit on footballer George Schlegel.

The little man who is pinned to Tri-Delt Joyce Riley should be more careful as to whom he tells that he drew a blank in Joyce and that he wishes it were Kappa Anne Connor. She was pinned to Tom Rhea, who feels the same way about Anne, has announced his withdrawal from the field, claiming that the competition is keen.

Rumor has it that Eleanor Connor, KKG, is showing her love for pinnee Phi Delt Jimmy Marlowe by dating others.

Something should be done about the Alpha Gams having their meetings on Wednesday nights, which is dating night, thereby making their dates wait for hours out on the porch in the cold. Sigma Nu Bud

Leadership Meet Slated For Union

Mortar Board's second annual Leadership meeting, under the direction of Mrs. W. T. Lafferty, former head of the Women's club of the extension department, will be held Wednesday November 27, in the Union building.

These meetings arranged by the nine members of the senior women's honorary, and open to all members and officers of campus organizations, are designed to promote a better understanding of parliamentary procedure among students.

We should weigh his stories very carefully before accepting them.

(Signed)
James W. Craig, Jr.

In his first message to Congress, George Washington recommended the establishment of an American college to develop the science of agriculture.

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War's Week

By JIM WOOLDRIDGE

Italy's hand was dummy last week and the Axis partners were set several hundred as Britain and Greece snapped up a couple of trump tricks in a game which is still far from the rubber stage.

Skirted Greek Soldiers . . .

. . . on a single target, the German force practically wiped out England's industrial city of Coventry. Among the buildings which were leveled in the attack was the city's cathedral, five centuries old. The raid was termed the fiercest of the war by English sources who disclosed that the Nazi air onslaughts were matched by R. A. F. attacks on Germany.

Off Mexico . . .

. . . a German freighter's crew scuttled their ship when they received flare signals to surrender Saturday night. The freighter, accompanied by three other Nazi merchantmen, was presumably trying to sail to Germany. The others returned to their neutral Mexican harbors.

According to Virgilio Gayda, authoritative Roman editor, the explanation of Italy's debacle in Greece lies in her unpreparedness, adding that Mussolini won't be doing business with Greeks for a while.

British Seaplanes . . .

. . . flying 50 feet above the waters of Italy's Tarento bay to avoid anti-aircraft fire, loosed torpedoes which plowed their way to the hulls of three Italian battleships destroying them almost completely. The three vessels constituted half of

Italy's fleet.

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Walter Winchell, in his radio program of November 3, stated that the American Student Union is anti-American; that it has—from the beginning been bitterly opposed to President Roosevelt's defense preparations. I don't believe he can produce adequate and authentic proof of his statements about ASU.

It is my belief that Mr. Winchell often allows his emotions to carry him into fantastic statements about subversive activities. One would think that a person with apparently such high repute as Mr. Winchell would be more careful in his statements.

I am in knowledge of no occasion on which the ASU expressed anti-American views. Probably one of Mr. Winchell's "stooges" gave him such a tale.

Mr. Winchell, in his desire to "beat the headlines" often sacrifices the true facts for hearsay. Our government is busy investigating all the known anti-American organizations, and we should not have to be subjected to the so-called "revelations" of the misinformed plutocrat."

In such chaotic times as these one should be more careful and more conservative in his statements. Propaganda has probably toppled more empires than have bombs and artillery. It is putting it mildly to say that Mr. Winchell is one of the worst (if not the worst) propagandists in this country.

We should weigh his stories very carefully before accepting them.

(Signed)

James W. Craig, Jr.

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The Bahamas are ruled by Britain as a crown colony.

Eli Whitney invented the cotton gin in Savannah, Georgia in 1793.

"Colonel" of the Week



Harry Denham

This week's "Colonel of the Week" goes to Harry Denham, who was recently elected to Nu circle of Omicron Delta Kappa, men's national leadership fraternity.

Harry a senior from Vanceburg, is President of both Pylon Pre-Medical society, and the "K" Club. He is now finishing his third year of outstanding play as an end on the Wildcat football team. Harry also wears a "K" for basketball.

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Lily Pons Dazzles Audience At First Community Concert

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Of Local Series

By LAURA LYONS
(Kernel Society Editor)

Lily Pons coloratura soprano of the Metropolitan Opera association, opened the ninth year of the Central Kentucky Community Concert series at Henry Clay High School auditorium Friday night.

Petite and vivacious Miss Pons, attired in a light blue chiffon velvet dress fashioned with a hooped skirt and trimmed with mink fur, dazzled the enthusiastic audience. The artist carried a muff to match her costume and wore a small flowered French hat—something unusual to the Lexington audience. The stage setting, picturing tall trees and high grizzled stands topped with flowers accentuated the diminutiveness of the singer.

Mr. Frank LaForge, Miss Pons accompanist, should share in the congratulations for a fine performance. He is as outstanding in his field as a composer and pianist as Miss Pons is a singer.

STOP! LOOK! and GLISTEN!

By JANE BAYNHAM

Faultless grooming is the one characteristic that no woman can afford to ignore or grow negligent about. Those curly lashes that are your pride and joy won't stand a ghost of a chance of being come-hitherish if your suit is wrinkled and dusty or your hat is out of shape and in need of a vigorous brushing.

In the hustle and bustle of campus life while you are darting hither and yon (mostly yon), keep in mind the following A. B. C.'s of true beauty and attractiveness:

1. Hair—"dos." Remember a nightly brushing results in healthy, shining hair, that will be easier to manage and will stay put longer. If you wear ribbons in your hair make sure they are clean and well-pressed.

2. "Make-up" your mind that naturalness is the straightest line to a man's heart. Avoid heavy mascara, dark powder and excessive rouge as you would the plague. Watch out for lipstick on cups, napkins, etc. Nothing is more unap-petizing. Keep lipstick tissues within easy reaching distance.

3. They say that hands express your personality and character. Better watch out then for unsightly hang nails and chipped nail polish. It's more than difficult to keep hands clean and soft in the winter when they come in such close contact with black and brown suede gloves and purses and with winter

winds, but your task will be a little easier if you keep a small bottle of hand lotion in your purse to use occasionally during the day, plus an extra big dose at night.

Jangled nerves aren't the only draw backs to excessive smoking—how about the stain on that right index finger? Try some lemon juice to take it off.

4. Clean white gloves give any costume an extra bit of dash and you are one of the most important features in the art of good grooming.

5. The ins and outs of your purse are a dead give away, as to the kind of person you are. It is messy and filled to overflowing with non-essentials? Then "clean house" once or twice a week and you'll be well rewarded because your purse will last longer.

6. Blouses and sweaters need special attention in winter, to keep them in good condition and looking their best. If you push sweater sleeves up to your elbows, you must be prepared to endure baggy steves when you want them down again.

7. The Fuller Brush man may be the object of merciless jokes, but you'll do well to purchase several of his excellent clothes brushes the next time you see him, as well as a good brush for suede shoes and bags. Good brushing and pressing will do wonders toward keeping your clothes neat and you smart and well-groomed.

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Clifton, Payne At Meet

Prof. Lewis Clifton, director of the University extension department, and Dr. V. S. Payne, Transylvania, represented the local chapter of Phi Delta Kappa, national honorary education fraternity, at the organization's conference last Friday and Saturday at Indiana University, Bloomington, Ind.

Chi Os Honor SAEs With Open House

The actives and pledges of Chi Omega entertained the members of Sigma Alpha Epsilon with an open house Friday afternoon from 4 to 6 o'clock.

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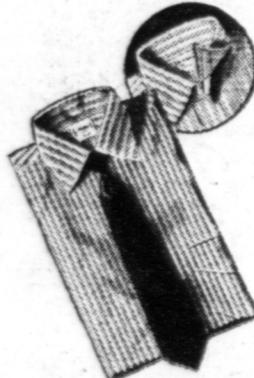
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A fighting band of West Virginia Mountaineers, badly infected with the "Kentucky passion" came from behind late in the waning minutes of the closing quarter to score a touchdown, and extra point, and a safety to fully avenge last year's 13-6 defeat.

A few minutes after the opening gun, the Cats capitalized on a partially blocked Mountaineer punt and gained possession of the ball on their own 45-yard stripe. With Dynamiting Dutch Ishmael lugging the ball four out of seven times, the Kentuckians climaxed a 55-yard submarine drive down the field, when Ishmael took a reverse from Dave Zoeller and glided over the double chalk lines from the five. **Field A 'Sea of Mud'**

By that time the field had been churned up until it bore a marked resemblance to a "sea of mud." Although a placement seemed impossible, Junie Jones swooshed the ball between the uprights for the extra point.

Both teams plowed around in the mud during the second period, with neither accomplishing anything. Once early in the second quarter, when Ermal Allen attempted to punt the slimy ball it went straight up in the air, netting only 3-yards, and being downed on the Kentucky 37. But the Cats dug into the mud and held the Mountaineers on four tries.

The closing play of the first half, Kentucky suffered her severest blow of the afternoon. With the ball on Kentucky's 45, Billy Black started churning around left end, heading for the sidelines. With a corps of blockers aiding him, he headed down field after he crossed the line of scrimmage twisting his way through the Mountaineers. Surrounded by blockers, Black apparently was in the clear until a Mountaineer tackler, camouflaged in a mud disguise, slipped through the Kentucky blockers and hauled Black to the soupy field on the seven, ending his brilliant run just seven yards from the goal line. The gun halted the threat as the half ended.

Break Turns Tide

Bill Gardner, Mountaineer half-back, took the ball on a triple reverse on the first play of the fourth quarter and moved with dispatch to the Kentucky 11 before Ermal Allen finally pulled him down. The Cats held on three plays and then the crafty Bill Kern rushed in Dick McElwee from the bench. McElwee, with warm hand and a dry uniform, ran to the right and lobbed a pass down to Howard Lewellen, who was in the right corner of the end zone.

Ermal Allen and Dave Brown covered the pass. Instead of knocking the ball to earth, they blocked it straight up in the air and Lewellen, who had fallen to his knees, quickly sprang back to his feet and snatched the ball from the air for a touchdown.

Fryer Punts To Four
Kenny Fryer kicked the placement, barely hoisting the ball over the bar. Fryer actually provided the winning margin a few minutes later, when he punted from the Kentucky 32 to the Cats' four. A strong wind was blowing from the Monongahela River into the faces of the Kentucky playboys. So they decided to try to run the ball out from the four. Ermal Allen took the ball and cut to his left in the end zone which was submerged under three inches of water. The Mountaineers rushed Allen and he attempted to pass the ball out of the end zone. But the ball, slippery and coated with mud, flew out of Allen's hand and the officials ruled it a lateral pass to give an automatic safety to the Mountaineers.

Kittens Upset Dope Bucket, Whitewash Baby Vols, 12-0

K-Boys Kuhn, Kessinger Score On Icy Field

Kessinger, running a la Ishmael, plowed 21 yards to the five. After Kuhn had placed the ball on the one Kessinger scored. Kuhn's pass to Martin for the extra point was incomplete.

Vols Bounce Back

The Vols bounced right back and reached the Kitten five-yard marker, but there the Kentucky defense tightened, and Tennessee lost the ball on downs.

Outstanding Kitten linemen were Robards, Preston, and Sandy. Kessinger, a Henry Clay product, backed up the line very capably.

Cifers and Bundy were the Baby Vols' main offensive threat, while a tall, rangy wingman, Bud Hubbard, made right end mighty thin ice for Kitten backs to skate on.

Particularly remarkable was the fact that in a game in which fumbles were frequent, Triplett, the Kitten center, did not make one bad pass.

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